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WE'RE MOVING!

PLUS - THE NEW ULTRASOUND MACHINE ARRIVES

OUR NEW HOME!



We have some incredibly exciting news to announce: **WE'RE MOVING!** God has blessed us with the amazing opportunity to move into a fantastic location at 200 Chapple Avenue on Main Street in Ashland.

The building, which at one point in its life was a medical clinic, will be the new home of the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center and will allow us to provide free ultrasounds and other women's health services in a space designed for medical care. Being located on Main Street makes it more accessible to women and allows our name to be easily viewed by the public.

While we were so blessed with the space of our last location, we're confident this new building will be the perfect fit for the center. Our board would like to thank everyone who assisted financially in helping us get the offer made on this space.

But we have a long way to go!

We're launching a capital fundraising campaign to assist in paying off this building 100% and continuing to do the work of changing and saving lives.

Plus, there's a great design committee charged with creating a beautiful space for our clients. We're looking for some volunteers to assist with remodeling, painting, furniture moving, and more!

What an absolutely exciting time to be involved with the center and see lives being changed!



Official closing signing!
Pictured: Board members, Jeff Laabs and Eva Miller



OUR NEWEST ARRIVAL

With all the excitement of the new home of the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center, we didn't want the incredible news of our newest arrival to get lost in the shuffle.

We are beyond thrilled to present our new, advanced ultrasound machine! Being able to procure an ultrasound machine in a little over a year of being in operation speaks volumes to the generosity of our donors. Thank you to everyone who donated to help us purchase this machine.



Our licensed medical staff just finished some important sonography training that will certify them to provide impactful ultrasound services. To be able to have a mother see and hear her baby may significantly impact her decision to choose life. What an incredible addition to the center and our services!



The center is also receiving an extremely generous donation of \$26,000 from the Knights of Columbus directly for this machine. Getting the machine is fantastic, but some may not realize the other financial aspects of maintaining this critical program. This donation will allow us to provide free ultrasounds to the women in our community - and we can't wait until we can offer these in our new space!

*Pictured: Center - Britta Clark, RN and Eva Thewis, RN
Top - Tom Cunningham, MD - Medical Director*

MEET OUR NEW *staff member!*

Our staff has doubled! Cindy Leonard joined us this winter and her presence has been a huge blessing. Whether she's



answering the phone, working with clients and volunteers, or tackling administrative duties, she does it all with grace

and professionalism. It's been a bit of a learning curve because working at a pregnancy center is a job like none other - but she has shown herself to be equal to the task.



HEAR FROM *a mom...*

" I was able to experience the new ultrasound machine at the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center and I was so impressed - not to mention nearly brought to tears!

It was such a rewarding and impactful experience for me. And Eva and Britta were so fantastic during the whole process. I felt comfortable, and any anxiety I felt melted away when I saw my baby on the monitor.

Thank you for this free service!"

- *Ultrasound Client*





"We seek to help women move from the stress and hurt of a past abortion into deeper healing and wellness - into true freedom."

NEW POST-ABORTION WELLNESS PROGRAM LAUNCHES

Did you know approximately 40% of women in abortion recovery programs suffer intense post-abortion syndrome symptoms? These can vary from intense guilt, to numbing emotions, to relational issues - even suicidal thoughts.

And with 125,000 abortions happening globally each day, that's a lot of hurting women.

Locally in our region, we have a new post-abortion wellness program in

partnership with the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center called Transforming Grace.

Led by Pamela Peterson and Cherylann Hart, this program seeks to help women move from the stress and hurt of a past abortion into deeper healing and wellness - and into true freedom.

The program is a seven-week course led by Pamela and Cherylann - both of whom have experienced the personal affects of an abortion. This program is

transformational, and they're really looking forward to helping women in our communities.

For more information, visit breathoflifeabc.com/transforming-grace



Pamela and Cherylann

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MARILYN WEBB



SAVE THE DATE!

We are planning a fundraising celebration for Sunday, October 17 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the Harbor View Event Center in Washburn. God has done so many amazing things this year - from the arrival of our ultrasound and the launch of our medical clinic, to the purchase of our own building. Come share the joy with us.

There'll be lots of delicious cakes and other sweet treats, a silent auction to browse, live music, and the time to meet the staff and board.

You'll hear a moving talk from our keynote speaker and get a taste of what we're planning for 2022! Look for details in the mail.



GET INVOLVED!

We have many volunteer opportunities open at the center - especially as we gear up to move to the new space. Our design committee is looking for help with remodeling, painting, and organizing the space.

Plus, we're looking for Parenting and Life Skills Partners, receptionists for the new waiting area, cleaning help, client advocates for pregnancy testing and ultrasound clients, and so many more opportunities.



If you're interested in helping, please contact executive director, Kris Westlund at (715) 682-1125 or at cheqpregnancycenter@gmail.com.

MAKE AN IMPACT THIS FATHER'S DAY

We often think of our clients as women, but you may be surprised to know how many men we help at the center.

Through our parenting classes and mentorship, we embolden men to be who God desired them to be.

With your financial help, we can continue these valuable relational and parenting courses and equip men in our area to embrace fatherhood and family responsibility.



Interested in being a male mentor? Contact us at (715) 682-1125 to get started.

INTERESTED IN GIVING?



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A soft-focus photograph of a woman with her eyes closed, smiling gently as she holds a baby. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent purple filter.

**“THE BEST AND MOST
BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN
THE WORLD CANNOT BE
SEEN OR EVEN TOUCHED
— THEY MUST BE FELT
WITH THE HEART.”**

HELLEN KELLER

*Look inside to read how lives are being
changed in the Chequamegon Bay region!*

